

11/10/21 UPDATE:

- To complete the work, a full closure will take place on the west segment of the intersection beginning, weather permitting, Wednesday, Nov. 17. During that time, Main Street motorists will detour via, U.S. 30/Illinois 56, Keslinger and Dauberman roads. The work is expected to be completed in approximately three days.
- After the west segment work is completed, a full closure will take place on the east segment. During that time, a detour will direct Main Street motorists to Dauberman, Keslinger and Bunker roads. The work is expected to be completed in approximately five days.

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Illinois 47 and Main Street improvements begin Monday

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that improvements to the intersection of Illinois 47 and Main Street, in Blackberry Township, will require daily lane closures with lane widths reduced to 11 feet beginning, weather permitting, Monday, July 20.

The project involves reconstructing and widening the existing four-way intersection, adding left turn lanes, installing new traffic signals and curbs. In addition, two bridges, Illinois 47 and Main Street over Blackberry Creek, will be reconstructed.

To prepare for the work, temporary pavement will be built along the south side of Main Street and the east side of Illinois 47 to allow traffic to remain one lane in each direction. Access to residences and businesses within the work zone will be maintained throughout construction.

The project is expected to be completed in summer 2022.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

Click [here](#) for details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 1. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at www.travelmidwest.com.

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